

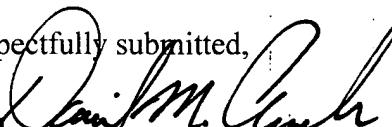
REMARKS

Claims 1-47 were filed in the original application. As part of this continuation application, Applicants are canceling those claims and adding new claims 48-67. Notwithstanding this amendment, Applicants reserve the right to pursue subject matter no longer or not yet claimed in this or a related application. These amendments add no new matter and are fully supported by the specification and claims as originally filed.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the invention bounded by claims 48-67, which they believe are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, they respectfully request an early notice to such effect. Of course, if there are any issues or questions that can be addressed without the need for a formal action and response thereto, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 858.350.9690 so that they may be promptly resolved.

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